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SIX DOLLARS  
PER QUARTER

## Banks.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK  
CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL £2,000,000.  
PAID-UP CAPITAL £500,000.

LONDON:  
Head Office, 40, Threadneedle Street.  
West End Office, 25, Cockspur Street.  
BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN  
AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT,  
Issues and Sells BILLS OF EXCHANGE,  
Issues Letters of Credit, forwards Bills for  
COLLECTION, and Transacts Banking and  
Agency Business generally, on terms to be had  
on application.

E. W. RUTTER,  
Manager.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,  
LIMITED.

Authorized Capital £1,000,000.  
Subscribed Capital £500,000.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors—  
D. GILLES, Esq.,  
Chan Kit Shan, Esq.,  
C. J. Hirst, Esq.,  
Chow Tung Shang, Esq.,  
W. Wotton, Esq.,  
Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.,  
Chief Manager—  
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN  
LONDON—  
THOMAS CARMICHAEL, Esq.—Messrs. Dent,  
Palmer & Co.  
JOHN BUTTERY, Esq.—Messrs. John Buttery &  
Co.  
C. B. STUART-WORTLEY, Esq., M.P., for Hallam.  
GEO. MINRO, Manager.

Bankers—  
London: The Alliance Bank (Ld.)  
Scotland: The Commercial Bank of Scotland.

SHANGHAI.  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE.  
Hla Ek Hui Fu Yuen, Esq.,  
Ma Kie Tchoong, Esq.,  
Tong Kwei Sung, Esq.,  
C. J. GALLOWAY, Manager.

Amoy—J. ANDERSON, Manager.  
Yokohama—D. FRASER, Manager.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened. Money  
received on Deposit. Drafts issued. Bills  
purchased and collected. Advances made on  
Securities or goods in central Godown. Usual  
Bank Agency business undertaken.  
Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.

For Rates of Interest for other periods apply  
to the Manager.  
Hongkong, 17th February, 1892.

## Insurance.

THE FUNDS  
OF THE  
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE

ARE invested entirely within the British  
Dominions and are thus free from the  
complications which might arise in time of war.  
They now amount to Seven Millions Sterling,  
and have increased 50 per cent in the last 15  
years.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents, Hongkong.

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE  
INSURANCE COMPANY OF  
NEW ZEALAND.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept  
FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCES on  
favourable terms.  
Current rates and a guaranteed Bonus equal  
to that paid by the local Offices.  
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,  
Agents.

No. 2, Queen's Road, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 31st March, 1892.

THE SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY  
OF CANADA.

ASSETS OVER \$3,000,000.00.  
Policies absolutely non-forfeitable.  
No restrictions as to Residence or Travelling.  
Rates of premium low.  
Policies issued on all approved forms.  
For further particulars apply to  
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,  
Agents for Hongkong.

31st February, 1892.

NOTICE.  
THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY  
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED £1,000,000.  
The above Company is prepared to accept  
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods,  
etc. Policies granted to all Parts of the world  
payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN,  
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE.  
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.  
Hongkong, 1st February, 1892.

GENERAL NOTICE.  
THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,  
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000. 3833,333-33.  
EQUAL TO £1,000,000.  
RESERVE FUND £318,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.  
LEE SIM, Esq.,  
LOU TAO SEU, Esq.,  
LO YUEK MOON, Esq.,  
MANAGER—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, etc., taken  
at CURRENT RATES in all parts of the  
world.  
HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.  
Hongkong, 17th December, 1891.

## Masonic.

ZETLAND LODGE,  
No. 525.

AN EMERGENCY MEETING of the above  
LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS'  
HALL, Zetland Street, on MONDAY, the 21st  
March, at 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting  
Brethren are cordially invited.  
Hongkong, 14th March, 1892.

VICTORIA LODGE,  
HONGKONG, No. 1026.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above  
LODGE will be held in FREEMASONS'  
HALL, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY, the 22nd  
inst., at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely.  
Hongkong, 15th March, 1892.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

MR. EDMUND THOMAS BOND was  
admitted a Partner in our Firm on the  
1st January, 1892.

DEACON & CO.

Canton, 21st March, 1892.

### NOTICE.

WE have this day authorized Mr. CARL  
WILHELM LONGUET to sign our  
Firm per procurator.

KRUSE & Co.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1892.

### NOTICE.

THE style of the Firm of POATE & NOBLE,  
DENTAL SURGEONS, has been changed to  
"Dr. J. W. NOBLE," and will be represented as  
under:

JOSEPH W. NOBLE, Hongkong,  
HERBERT D. ROZARIO, and  
CHAS. L. SNYDER, Singapore.

HERBERT POATE, 35, Brook Street,  
Grosvenor Square, London, W.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1892.

## Hotels.

THE SHAMEN HOTEL.

BRITISH CONCESSION, CANTON.

THIS FIRST CLASS HOTEL, admirably  
situated within a few minutes walk of the  
River Steamer Wharves, is a new hotel to receive  
Visitors.

The Bed-rooms are cool, airy and comfortably  
furnished, and the spacious Dining Room, Sitting  
Rooms, and accommodation generally will be  
found equal to the best Hotels in the Far East.

The Table D'Hôte is supplied with every  
luxury in season, and the cuisine is in experi-  
enced hands.

Wines, Spirits, Malt Liqueurs, etc., of the best  
quality only.

A WELL APPOINTED BILLIARD-ROOM.  
A. F. DE ROZARIO,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1891.

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. F. RAPP has received instructions  
to Sell by  
PUBLIC AUCTION  
(without reserve, to the highest bidder),

SATURDAY,  
the 10th day of March, 1892, at Noon,  
at the OFFICES of the AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL  
AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED,  
38 and 40, Queen's Road Central  
(if not previously disposed of by Private  
Contract),

VALUABLE LEASHOLD  
PROPERTY,  
being Nos. 1 to 11, MOUNTAIN VIEW, the PEAK,  
VICTORIA, in the Colony of HONGKONG, and  
situated on Rural Building Lot No. 60, and the  
Remaining Portion of Rural Building Lot No. 18,  
as the premises are held for the residence of two  
separate terms of 75 years and 75 years respec-  
tively from the 10th day of December, 1877, and the  
28th day of February, 1882, respectively granted  
therein, subject to the payment of the propor-  
tion of Crown Rents payable in respect thereof  
and the performance of the Crown Covenants  
to be performed in respect thereof, and subject  
also to the existing lettings and tenancies there  
of.

These Houses are situated on one of the finest  
sites in the Hill District known as Mountain  
View, and face the Harbour on the North, the  
Ladrones Islands on the South, and command  
views of the finest scenery the Island and its  
surroundings afford.

The Houses are exceptionally cool in Sum-  
mer, and are externally built of Amoy brick.  
With a little outlay of money they could be  
rendered as attractive externally as they are  
well appointed and comfortable internally. Now,  
1 and 11 each contain six good sized dwelling  
rooms, and the remaining houses five. They  
are provided with bath-rooms and all necessary  
out offices. Gas is laid on.

The Sale offers to Hongkong residents, de-  
siring of living in their own homes, an oppor-  
tunity which is not likely to occur again.

The Vendors have arranged for part of the  
Purchase Money to remain on Mortgage, for a  
term of years in the case of approved Purchasers  
by them, but the Debentures of the Austin  
Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited,  
will not be accepted in lieu of cash.

The Houses will be built in one lot or sepa-  
rate Lots, comprising one house each, at the  
option of the Vendors.

For further particulars, Sale Plan, and Con-  
ditions of Sale, apply to  
THE AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND  
BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED,  
WOTTON & DEACON,  
Solicitors to the Vendors.

F. RAPP,  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1892.

## Intimations.

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

NOW READY,  
WHITAKER'S

ALMANACK

THE BEST,  
THE MOST COMPLETE,  
THE CHEAPEST, and  
THE MOST USEFUL ALMANACK in  
Existence.

Paper Covers.....\$0.40  
Enlarged Edition, Bound.....1.00

NOW READY,  
HAZELL'S  
CYCLOPEDIA

3,500 Concise and Explanatory Articles on every  
topic of current Political, Social, Biographical  
and General Interest referred to by the  
Press and daily conversation—revised to  
November 2nd, 1891.

PRICE \$1.50.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,  
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1892.

W. POWELL & CO.

HAVE RECEIVED THEIR FIRST DELIVERIES OF  
LADIES', GENTLEMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S  
STRAW HATS.

NEW SUMMER SILKS.  
NEW WHITE DRESS GOODS.  
NEWPRINTS, &c., &c.

W. POWELL & CO.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1892.

THE  
HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS,  
"Kremlin"—A. B. C. Code.

TELEPHONE,  
No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East,  
affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of  
the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Padders Wharf  
(the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping  
Offices.

THE HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail  
Steamers.

THE TABLE D'HÔTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the cuisine being  
under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated,  
open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric  
communicators.

The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new  
Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted  
with every convenience.

A handsomely appointed GRILL ROOM, where chops, steaks, &c., are served at any hour  
adjoins the HOTEL, and is under the same management.

THE WINES AND SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are  
supplied.

HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey  
passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.  
NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1892.

R. TUCKER,  
Manager.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.  
FOR SALE.

HOUSE LAMPS, STREET LAMPS,  
VERANDAH LAMPS, SHIPS' LAMPS,  
CHANDLERS' 2, 4 or 6-light,  
Single and Double BRACKET LAMPS,  
TABLE LAMPS, READING LAMPS, BEDROOM & NURSERY LAMPS,  
WINDPROOF LAMPS, SAFETY LAMPS,  
SHIPS' SALOON, CABIN, ENGINE ROOM and BULKHEAD LAMPS,  
SPECIAL CARGO LAMPS,  
CHAIR LAMPS, CARRIAGE and JINRICKSHA LAMPS, HAND LAMPS and LANTERNS,  
GLOBES, CHIMNEYS, WICKS, SPARE BURNERS, FOUNTS, &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1892.

CARMICHAEL & CO., LD.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS—TOBACCO AND CIGAR IMPORTERS.  
ASBATED WATER MANUFACTURERS.  
SHIP CHANDLERS AND GENERAL STOREKEEPERS.

GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTING, select but inexpensive variety.  
SPORTING GUNS, RIFLES, REVOLVERS and AMMUNITION.  
PORPOISE-HIDE DARK, TAN RUSSIA-LEATHER and ENGLISH-CALF BOOTS & SHOES.  
SCIENTIFIC BOOKS, NAUTICAL, ELECTRICAL and ENGINEERING,  
SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS, HAND-TOOLS and DRAWING-INSTRUMENTS.

CARMICHAEL & CO., LTD.  
18, PRAYA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

Ho-kong, 14th January, 1892.

CRUICKSHANK & CO., LD.

FAMILY AND DISPENSING CHEMISTS  
AND  
Commission Agents.

WHAT WILL YOU TAKE?  
As an excellent Table Water?  
For General Debility?  
For Dyspepsia?  
For Gout?  
For Rheumatism?  
For a Nerve Tonic?  
For Biliousness after  
Excesses in Eating or Drinking?  
With Gin?  
With Claret?  
With Wine?  
Takaraduka Natural Mineral Water, Bottled at Takaraduka near Kobe, Japan.  
Highly recommended by the Medical Faculty throughout the East. Testimonials can be  
seen on application.  
CRUICKSHANK & Co., Ltd., Agents for Hongkong.

## Intimations.

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-  
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the  
GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COM-  
PANY, LIMITED, will be held on MONDAY,  
the 28th March, 1892, at the Company's Office,  
at 12, Noon, when the subjoined Resolution,  
which was passed at the Extraordinary General  
Meeting of the Company held on the 12th March,  
1892, will be submitted for confirmation as a  
Special Resolution:—

"That the following Article shall be inserted  
in the Articles of Association of the Com-  
pany after Article 21, and shall be No. 21A.  
21A.—The Company may from time to  
time by special Resolution reduce its Capital  
by paying off Capital or cancelling Capital  
which has been lost or is unrepresented by  
available assets, or reducing the liability on  
the shares or otherwise, as may seem expedi-  
ent, and Capital may be paid off upon the  
footing that it may be called up again or  
otherwise."

Dated the 12th March, 1892.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,  
General Managers.

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THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Ninth Ordinary General MEETING  
of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at  
the Company's Office, Praya Central, on MON-  
DAY, the 21st March, at 3.30 o'clock in the  
afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the  
Report of the General Managers, and electing a  
Committee and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 6th to 21st instant,  
both days inclusive.

SHEWAN & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1892.

NOTICE.  
IMMEDIATELY after the above Meeting a  
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be  
held to consider the question of the forfeiture of  
certain Shares in the Company at present stand-  
ing in the name of the late General Managers:

SHEWAN & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1892.

NOTICE.  
HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF  
COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of  
the Members of the HONGKONG  
GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
will be held on FRIDAY, the 25th March, at  
3.30 P.M., at the Rooms of the Chamber, CITY  
HALL, for the purpose of receiving the Report  
of the Committee and passing the Secretary's  
Accounts for the year ending 31st December,  
1891; also to take into consideration certain  
proposed measures regarding the Import and  
Export Statistics of the Trade of the Colony.

F. HENDERSON,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1892.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the ORDI-  
NARY GENERAL MEETING of the  
SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company  
will be held at the Registered Offices of the  
Company, 48 and 40, Queen's Road Central, on  
THURSDAY, the 24th inst., at Noon, for the  
purpose of receiving the Report of the Govern-  
ing Director, with a Statement of Accounts for  
the year 1891.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 17th instant to the  
24th instant, both days inclusive.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1892.

MISS STOLZ,  
MANICURE, CHIROPODIST  
AND  
MASSAGE.

No. 8, COLLEGE CHAMBERS,  
Wyndham Street.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1892.

NOTICE.  
THE UNDERSIGNED, having removed his  
residence to No. 50, WELLINGTON STREET,  
all CLAIMS against him personally, or against  
the CHEANG TEK KONGSEE (the late  
OPTUM FARM), as well as all papers and  
correspondence, should be sent to the above  
address.

KOH CHENG SEAN.

Hongkong, 29th February, 1892.

MOUTRIE,  
ROBINSON & Co.

HONGKONG,  
(London, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama).

PIANOS By all the best makers in the  
World.

PIANOS—New and Second Hand for Cash  
at HOME PRICES.

PIANOS purchased by MONTHLY PAY-  
MENTS.

PIANOS and ORGANS for HIRE from \$8  
per month.

PIANOS TUNED by thoroughly efficient  
Tuners.

PIANOS—thoroughly REPAIRED OR  
REBUILT. (Estimates given).

MOUTRIE, ROBINSON & Co.  
(UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL).

## Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND  
CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship  
"LIGHTNING,"  
Captain J. G. Spence, will be despatched for the  
above Ports, on SATURDAY, the 19th instant,  
at 4 p.m., instead of as previously advertised.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1892.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.  
FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE &  
YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship  
"DENBIGHSHIRE,"  
Captain Vyvan, will be despatched as above  
on or about SATURDAY, the 19th instant.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1892.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.  
FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship  
"HIROSHIMA MARU,"  
Captain J. H. Pynn, will be despatched for the  
above Ports, on SATURDAY, the 19th March,  
at 4 p.m.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1892.

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship  
"ZAFIRO,"  
Captain Cobban, will be despatched for the  
above Ports, on SATURDAY, the 19th instant,  
at 5 p.m.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SHEWAN & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1892.

"UNION" LINE OF STEAMERS.  
FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,  
VIA INLAND SEA.

THE Steamship  
"TORRINGTON,"  
Captain Berwick, will have prompt despatch for  
above Ports after arrival.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 29th February, 1892.

Consignees.  
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.  
CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship  
"CHINA"

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees  
of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their  
Bills of Lading for Consignment, and to take  
immediate delivery of their Goods from along-  
side.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel  
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk  
and expense.

J. S. VAN BUREN,  
Agent.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1892.

"UNION" LINE OF STEAMERS.  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "LAJU,"  
FROM ANTWERP, HAMBURG, AND  
SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed  
that all goods are being landed at their  
risk, into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf  
and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence  
and/or from the wharves delivery may be  
obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice  
to the contrary be given before Noon, on day.  
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining  
undelivered after the 10th will be subject to rent.  
All claims against the Steamer must be pre-  
sented to the Undersigned on or before the 10th  
inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to  
be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on the 10th inst. at 3 p.m.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1892.

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "MACDUFF,"  
FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL  
AND STRAITS.



## Intimations.

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA,  
LIMITED,  
CHEMISTS, &c.

EUCALYPTUS OIL AND  
INFLUENZA.

"Of all the preventives, OIL OF EUCALYPTUS, either disguised under fancy names or in its pure state, has earned the most professional and lay support, and up to the present it certainly seems to have vindicated the claims put forward in its behalf."—*Chemist and Druggist*, Feb. 6th, 1892.

DAKINS' STANDARD  
BRAND OF EUCALYPTUS  
OIL.

Bottles, 50 cts. and \$1.00

No. 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

## WINES AND SPIRITS.

WE invite attention to the following Brands, all of which are excellent quality and good value for the money.

The same being specially selected by our London House, and bought direct from the most noted Shippers, are imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus enabling us to supply the best growths at moderate prices.

In ordering is only necessary to state the name and quantity of Wine or Spirit wanted, and initial letter for quality desired.

PORTS. (For Invalids and general use).

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
A Alto Douro, good quality, Green Capsule	\$10	\$1.00
B Vintage, superior quality, Red Capsule	12	1.10
C Fine Old Vintage, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule	14	1.25
D Very Fine Old Vintage, extra superior, Violet Capsule (Old Bottled)	18	1.50

## SHERRIES.

A Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule	6	0.60
B Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule	7.50	0.75
C Manzaniella, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule	10	1.00
CC Superior Old Dry, Pale Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule	10	1.10
D Very Superior Old Pale Dry, choice Old Wine, White Seal Capsule	12	1.10
E Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled)	14	1.25

## CLARETS.

A Superior Breakfast Claret, Red Capsule	4	\$4.50
B St. Estephe, Red Capsule	4.50	5.00
C St. Julien, Red Capsule	7	7.50
D La Rose, Red Capsule	11	12.00

MADEIRA, HOCK AND CHAMPAGNES.  
FULL PARTICULARS OF THE VARIOUS BRANDS  
IN STOCK ON APPLICATION.

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
A Hennessy's Old Pale, Red Capsule	\$13	\$1.20
B Superior Very Old Cognac, Red Capsule	15	1.40
C Very Old Liqueur Cognac, Red Capsule	20	1.75
D Hennessy's Finest Very Old Liqueur Cognac, 1872 Vintage, Red Capsule	30	2.50

## SCOTCH WHISKY.

A Thorne's Blend, White Capsule	8	0.75
B Watson's Blend, White Capsule	8	0.75
C Watson's Blend, White Capsule	8	0.75
D Watson's H K D Blend of the Finest Scotch Malt Whiskies, Violet Capsule	10	1.00
E Watson's Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, Gold Capsule	12	1.10

## IRISH WHISKY.

A John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule	8	0.75
B John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capsule	10	1.00
C John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule	12	1.10
D Genuine Bourbon Whisky, fine old, Red Capsule, with Name	10	1.00

## GIN.

A Fine Old Tom, White Capsule	4.50	0.40
B Fine Unsweetened White Capsule	4.50	0.40
C Fine A. V. H. Geneva	5.25	0.50

## RUM.

Finest Old Jamaica, Violet Capsule	12	1.00
Good Leonard Island	\$1.50	per Gallon.

## LIQUEURS.

Benedictine	Maraschino
Curacao	Herrings Cherry Cordial
Chartreuse	Dr. Slegers' Angostura
Biters	&c.

## PRICES ON APPLICATION.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,  
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1892.

## The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 1892.

## TELEGRAMS.

## THE BEHRING SEA FISHERY.

LONDON, March 7th.

Great excitement prevails at Washington in consequence of a proposal by the Marquis of Salisbury to open the whole of the Behring Sea from outside the thirty miles zone from Pribilof Islands to indiscriminate fishing, but limiting the catch of seals therein to thirty thousand. The United States Government demand a renewal of the "modus vivendi."

## THE MINERS' FEDERATION.

March 8th.

It is reported that the Federation of Miners continue an unyielding attitude, and that a paralysis of industry is impending in every manufacturing centre, which will cause great privation among the poorer classes everywhere.

## SEVERE WEATHER IN EUROPE.

March 14th.

Severe snow storms with intense frost prevail in England and on the Continent.

## THE KAISER.

The Emperor of Germany, who had been confined to bed with a severe cold, is progressing favourably.

## OBITUARY.

The Grand Duke of Hesse-Darmstadt (who was the husband of Princess Alice, second daughter of Queen Victoria) is dead.

## EARTHQUAKE AT BOLINAO.

BOLINAO, March 16th, 1892.

In his weather report to-day Dr. Dobner writes:—Bolinao reports very heavy and continuous earthquake shocks last night at 8 p.m. Duration 30 seconds, direction north to south, also rotary movement. Two other shocks at 1 a.m. and 6 a.m. to-day. At Lingayen about 50 miles distant 13 shocks were felt in half an hour.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

It is reported that the famous Lady Londonderry spends one day out of every ten in bed for beauty's sake.

Broke—I think I'll marry a rich wife. Victor Gap—Dear boy, you can do better by making love to one!

OSCAR WILDE, having exhausted all the possibilities of absurdity in other directions, is now posing as a Socialist.

MESSRS. GUTHRIE & Co. have been appointed (by cable) agents in Singapore for the Government of British North Borneo—viz. Messrs. A. Johnston & Co.

The Agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Cardill & Co.) inform us that the steamship *Thorndale* left Singapore for this port to-day, and is due on or about the 23rd inst.

The return match between New South Wales and England was concluded at Sydney on February 23rd and resulted in a victory for Lord Sheffield's team by seven wickets.

The "Ada Mavens' Folly" company, after a successful season in Calcutta and Rangoon, will open in Singapore for a week, about the 25th March. Hongkong will probably be visited in due course.

A MEETING of the Dilligenta Lodge of Instruction will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on Thursday, the 24th instant, at 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

The charge against the Opium Farmer stands adjourned till Tuesday, Mr. Koh Cheng Sean being out on his own recognisances. Probably the case will be arranged privately and an apology tendered to him.

The steamship *Yarra*, with the French mail of the 19th February, leaves Singapore to-day at 8 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 24th inst. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on January 13th.

A WEE Spanish coasting steamer, the *Montana*, Captain Valentin Vener, arrived here from Manila yesterday evening. She is 222 tons register, has two pole-masts and an elegantly painted funnel. Pilot-mast conspicuous by reason of its absence.

A TELEGRAM in the *Penang Gazette* dated London, March 6th states that "the House of Commons has voted a credit of £500,000 for the survey of a railway to connect Bombay with the Victoria-Nyasal Lake. The vote was carried by a majority of 99, despite the opposition of Mr. Gladstone."

A YANKEE comedian who has been taking the bichloride of gold cure announces that "he may be chartered, together with his auferious deposits," for the rest of the season. He would be a useful man for the Panjion Company, which concern is at present very badly in need of auferious deposits.

We hear that Mr. W. V. Drummond, barrister-at-law, will come down to Hongkong shortly to fight out the *Fuhsun-Bhagoo* collision case on behalf of the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Co., who are the owners of the *Fuhsun*. The claim of the Chinese company amounts to about \$20,000. Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., in we believe, to appear in Court on behalf of Messrs. Carlowitz & Co., the local agents of the Italian vessel.

The Valparaiso *El Cometa*, a leading Chilean paper, recently printed the following in its advertising columns, i. e. (in full further notice):—

The notice has been given. Uncle Sam begs to inform his friends, the public, heads of families and teachers of schools, that he has prepared to exhibit, on very reasonable terms, his celebrated

AMERICAN EAGLE—(Quite True). The awe-inspiring and terrific screams of this noble bird, combined with its PERFECT HARMONISER.

Are now well known. Any person may, with the greatest impunity, kick or spit upon it, or pull feathers out of its tail, so that much sport may be derived from its

FEROCIOUS DEMONSTRATION. At which no one need feel the least afraid. It has been exhibited before ALL THE CROWNED HEADS OF EUROPE,

AND HAS CAUSED SCREAMS OF LAUGHTER. Address, UNCLE SAM, White Feather House, Washington, D.C.

A NEW YORK shipping contemporary remarks that the unshakable, forty-knot-an-hour vessel will be in command of the perfect shipmaster at a wage that would not attract a medium good salesman ashore.

The Band of the 1st Shropshire L.I. will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess on Saturday next, commencing at 7.30 p.m.:—  
Value. "The Children's Overture" (Ziehrer).  
Variation. "The Children's Overture" (Ziehrer).  
Selection. "The Children's Overture" (Ziehrer).  
Fly Away (Ziehrer).

At the meeting of the Sanitary Board to hold to-morrow the agenda will be (1.) Letter from the Honourable Colonial Secretary regarding Inspector Germal's application for a month's vacation leave. (2.) Petitions from Contractors payers that some money allowance be granted to them for the loss they sustained by the sale of the 3rd and 4th December, 1891. (3.) Mortality Returns for weeks ended the 3rd and 10th March, 1892. (4.) 74 applications for licences and renewal of licences to keep cattle and swine.

THE good ship *Torrington* will in the grasp of the "lor." Proceedings have, we understand, been instituted by the crew against Captain Berwick, the master of the vessel, for wages due. Meanwhile the *Torrington* is decorated with sundry Supreme Court notices, a "bum" is in charge, and the command of the ship is said to have been transferred to a Mr. Woods owing to the departure of Captain Berwick for Europe which is pending. The *Torrington's* Japan cargo is still in her hold. It includes a good deal of gunpowder.

THE following will form the Hongkong Volunteer Artillery team to shoot against the Garrison Club on Saturday next—Sergts. Collins, Duncan and Powell; Corp. Jackson; Gts. Beavin, Coyle, Hayward, Moore, Soenderam, and Mr. Hancock. In reserve, Gts. Brown and Gt. Barry. A launch will leave the Garrison Club at 2.30 p.m., firing to commence at 3. The Police Range will be available for practice on Friday, and a launch will leave Pender's Wharf at 3.30 to convey any of the team who can go over at that hour.

SOME of the British papers, observes the San Francisco *Chronicle*, insist that the United States had no cause for finding fault with Chile. One of these days England may find herself in the same position with some power weaker than herself; then she shall see how much more bearable she will exercise. We can tell in advance just how she will act. If her naval representatives in the vicinity fancy themselves strong enough to chastise the aggressor they will promptly proceed to administer the chastisement. Afterward the home Government will take over the matter, and if the chastised country is very weak they will decide to punish it still further, perhaps confiscate it. That is the British method, and being so, it is marvelous that English editors should have the cheek to criticize other nations that try to act decently in their intercourse with weaker countries.

THE N. Y. Tribune on the Democratic candidate for the Presidency.

My name is David on the Grampian Hills, But more particularly on the hills of Albany; Also, the Hoffman House, incidentally at Washington.

Occupation—boss, great mogul, Machinist par excellence, Slick tin god on wheels, Big Six, capital 1.

The dominating force of the Democracy of the Empire State; Including Murphy, Sheehan, Senate, Assembly, And the State Committee, Also including Flower—Great Scott!

I came near forgetting Flower—I would, they're moulded; I'm the snuff, they're the clay; I'm the snuff-taker, they're the sneezers, Sneezing coincidentally with my snuff-taking. That's for me. As the case may be.

In the Straits, the resistance to the military expedition is by no means dead. Late the question has been taken up with renewed vigour, and it is now proposed to publish advertisements in the London dailies, showing up the swindle. The Singapore *Free Press* gives two of the samples of advertisement suggested and sent in as suitable for insertion in the home papers:—

BEFORE the official vote in the Legislative Council of the Straits Settlements on 12th February per annum is being squeezed out of the Colonial Revenues (which show a large deficit with a prospect of increased deficit for the next few years) to pay for the defence of the Imperial Coasting Station at Singapore. The Colony is willing to pay half the expense but considers the amount forced from it extortionate. Significant fact—Of the seven votes in Singapore, six are grouped round the coal deal; not one dissenting.

Protests are unavailing; the arguments of the Colony have been ignored, though supported by H.E. the Governor and the official members of Council. The Colony appeals to the sense of justice in the British People.

CROWN COLONY CORRECTION. For military expenditure, almost entirely to meet the Imperial coaling station at Singapore, the Colony of the Straits Settlements is being now compelled to pay £100,000 out of a total garrison charge of £35,000 and is also compelled to build barracks at a cost of over £100,000. The Colony, which for a series of years has paid £50,000, is loyally willing to pay £75,000, or over half the amount, though that is much more than its fair share on any reasonable scale of apportionment.

Against their conscience, their convictions, and their protests, at the peril of dismissal from the Colonial Service, the Governor, Sir Cecil Stuart, and the standing official majority in the Legislative Council are forced, at the dictation of the Secretary of State, to vote away the revenues of the Colony to the amount named and thus to override the unanimous opposition of the unofficial members, and of the people of the Colony.

By this extortion our finances have been totally disorganized, all local administration starved, and the Colony has now consequently to face a series of annual deficits.

Parliamentary! In view of a General Election, we appeal to the instinct of fair-play amongst you, confident that you will not sanction the unjust coercion of a loyal but voiceless Colony, and the arbitrary confiscation of its revenues.

## HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

The ordinary half yearly meeting of shareholders in this company was held at the hotel to-day. Mr. E. Jones Hughes presided and there were also present Messrs. J. B. Carlisle, G. H. Phillips, F. Henderson, G. P. C. De Rosa, W. H. Wallace, Michael, Capt. Lefavour, H. Sawyer, E. W. Rutter, W. H. Potts, Chan Lung, and C. K. Reszle.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, as the report and accounts have been in your hands for some days, we will with your permission take them as read. The directors regret that the report for the last half of 1891 is not better, but taking into consideration the fact that there were extremely few visitors to the colony during July, August, and September last, and the competition of the two hotels at the Peak, we hope that you will consider the report fairly good. The present half year promises to be a very good one, the hotel being up to now most of the time full, and on many occasions the accommodation has proved insufficient. The promises well for the future of the hotel. The directors have leased one of the billiard rooms as offices to the Canadian Pacific Railway Steamship Company for one year, with the option of extending the term two years longer, at \$1,000 per annum. The new wing is nearing completion, and the contractor expects to hand it over in June next. The call made on 30th November last on the new issue shares to meet the requirements of the contractor was well paid up. The amount due from sundry shareholders on 31st December last, \$31,500, has been gradually reduced to \$13,150. (Applause.) Negotiations are now going on for the lease of a large portion of the first floor, facing Queen's Road, to be commenced from the time we enter the new building. The business during 1892 shows an increase of 50 per cent. in visitors so far. I shall be glad to answer any questions that may be put, if it is in your power to do so.

In reply to Mr. Phillips the Chairman said that only a small proportion of the \$13,000 owing to the hotel could be considered bad or doubtful debts. The directors were continually taking steps to collect them, but owing to the bad state of business in the Colony it was a difficult matter.

In reply to Mr. Phillips, Mr. Cox said that the claim of \$1,000 against the company for "ancient lights" shut off by the hotel building was not at all too large. The question had been amicably arranged without arbitration. At first \$10,000 was asked, but the directors had got it reduced. If the rights of light had not been bought out in this way the hotel would have had to be built with a sloping wall, each storey receding further back, so as not to shut out the light from adjoining premises. That would have deprived the Company of much valuable room, which now would bring in a good return on the outlay. There were three floors, the whole length of the building, to be considered.

In reply to Mr. Phillips the Chairman said that information as to "sundry creditors" could be had by private inspection of the books. Mr. Phillips addressed the meeting at some length, to the effect that there was room for improvement in the management of the hotel. Complaints were rife as to the dining room arrangements and the quality of the food. It was a great pity the outstanding debt had been allowed to accumulate to such a sum as \$31,000, of which some would never be paid. The rule of the hotel, posted up all over it, that "all bills must be paid by the 15th of each month, or credit will be stopped," should be rigidly enforced. The price of drinks he thought was very moderate—25c. each—and the hotel ought not to give free drinks to people who would never pay. A new light and a gleam of hope seemed to be coming over the prospects of the Company, and Mr. Hughes had done everything in his power to forward the interests of the shareholders. The new wing (which the speaker had inspected) was replete with every comfort, and if the management were a little better nothing more could be desired.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Phillips, the report and accounts were adopted.

In reply to Mr. Phillips, the Chairman said that as Mr. Michael, who was ready to be re-elected, was intended to go to the question of a new *rotunda*. The present one was admitted to be very inadequate.

On the motion of Mr. W. H. Wallace, seconded by Mr. Michael, Mr. J. H. Cox was re-elected director.

On the motion of Capt. Lefavour, seconded by Mr. Sawyer, Mr. De Rosa was re-elected director.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Phillips, Mr. Henderson was re-elected auditor.

On the motion of Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Sawyer, Mr. W. H. Potts was elected auditor in place of Mr. Green, who has left the Colony.

Some discussion arose as to the position of Mr. Ho Tung, whose directorship lapsed through his absence in Europe more than twelve months. Ultimately it was decided that the Board ask him on his return to resign, subject to the approval of the shareholders at the next meeting, as his services were very valuable to the Company.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

## HONGKONG IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

The following is a copy of a letter from the Colonial Secretary, in reference to the registration of imports and exports, which is to be considered in the general meeting of the Chamber of Commerce on Friday, 25th March:—

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Hongkong, 11th February, 1892.

SIR—I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to transmit to you, to be laid before the Chamber of Commerce, the enclosed copy of a circular despatch of the 5th of December from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, covering the report of a committee recently appointed to enquire into the compilation of import and export statistics in the colonies, together with copy of a further despatch from Lord Knutsford, dated the 19th of the same month, drawing attention to certain observations, with regard to Hongkong, in the report of the committee in question.

You are doubtless acquainted with the correspondence noted in the margin, which took place on this subject in 1889, and the result of which was that a Bill (copy of which is enclosed) for the registration of imports and exports was prepared and brought before the Legislative Council, but subsequently withdrawn owing to opposition to it among the Chinese traders.

His Excellency has not been furnished with a copy of any regulations made under the Straits Settlements Ordinance enclosed in Lord Knutsford's despatch of the 19th December, but your Committee may perhaps be able to express an opinion as to which of the two Ordinances would be the preferable in case any legislation were decided on for this colony.

I am to request you to inform your committee that His Excellency would be glad to learn what their views on this subject show me, and I am to add that there is no intention of interfering with the freedom of the port, the only idea being to obtain a correct return of the actual trade of the British possessions.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,  
(Sgd.) W. MAJOR GOODMAN,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

F. Henderson, Esq., Secretary, Chamber of Commerce.

## HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

The following is the report of the Governing Director of the Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Limited, for the year ending the 31st December, 1891, for presentation to the shareholders at the ordinary general meeting of the Company, to be held at the office of the Company (over the new premises of the Hongkong Dispensary), at noon on Thursday, the 24th March, 1892:—

To the shareholders of Humphreys Estate and Finance Company, Limited.

Gentlemen,—I beg to lay before you our report and balance sheet for the year 1891.

As you are aware, the Company has been reconstituted under a new Memorandum and Articles of Association which will greatly facilitate the working of the Company's business and increase its earning power.

The debentures of the Company have been paid off in full.

I am pleased to inform you that money for the making of the public roads at Kowloon has been voted and the Government shows every desire to push on this work in accordance with the arrangement made when the Island Lot leases were granted. As the property could not be used to advantage until the completion of the roads, it has been arranged that the deferred shares shall not count for dividend until the 1st of January next ensuing their completion.

The net profit, including a balance of \$3,243.60 brought forward from last year, amounts to \$40,399.11, out of which I propose to pay a dividend of 14 per cent. on the ordinary shares, to place a further sum of \$20,000 to the Equalization of Dividend Fund, and to carry forward \$2,199.11.

The accounts have been audited by Mr. V. A. Cesar Hawkins, whose appointment as auditor requires confirmation.

JNO. D. HUMPHREYS,  
Governing Director.

Hongkong, March 14th, 1892.

## BALANCE SHEET, 31ST DECEMBER, 1891.

Liabilities.

Cash on deposit	\$58,553.71
Equalization of dividend fund	20,000.00
Capital account	130,000.00
Ordinary shares	130,000.00
Capital account	120,000.00
Deferred shares	350,000.00
Profit and loss	40,399.11
	\$68,957.82

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## Assets.

Crown leasehold estates and buildings	\$267,467.99
Invested on mortgage	41,136.10
Sundry debtors and bills receivable	54,884.47
Debt stock	2,137.51
Cash in Hongkong and Shanghai Bank	\$2,410.24
Bank in hand	921.51
	3,331.75
	\$68,957.82

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## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

To Crown rent, general charges, repairs, fire insurance, auditors' fees, &c.	\$5,907.76
Equalization of dividend fund	20,000.00
Dividend of 14 per cent. on \$130,000	18,200.00
Balance to new account	2,199.11
	45,706.87
	\$45,706.87

By Amount carried forward from 1890—\$3,243.60

Rents, interest, investments, and commission 42,463.18

\$45,706.87

I have compared the above Statement with the Books, Vouchers and Securities of the Company and have found the same to be correct.

V. A. CESAR HAWKINS,  
Auditor.

## THE FISH WORLD OF CHINA.

The following interesting address was delivered on February 4th, 1892, before the American Fisheries Commission by the Hon.



Tonquin to the Yellow Sea. This, so far as mere distance is concerned is about equal to a line from Nova Scotia to Trinidad on the Atlantic coast of the United States and West India. Still greater is the difference in temperature of the water in which it is found the Gulf of Tonquin is as warm as the Gulf of Mexico, while the Yellow Sea is about on a par with the Gulf of St. Lawrence. On the Pacific a corresponding marine habitat would reach from Nicaragua to Alaska. There seems no reason why this fish can not be transplanted and raised successfully on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. It would be a notable addition to our food supply. The small fish is thicker and heavier than the shad, its flesh tends slightly to a yellowish tinge owing to its fatness; it is equally delicious, and its bones, larger than those of the shad, are more easily detected and removed. It is a great favorite in the East, bringing 20 cents a pound, where commoner sea food is sold for one and two cents per lb. It breeds in rivers, where it spawns in the spring. A roe sam-lay lays about 200,000 eggs, though the amount varies greatly with each individual. The small fry are easily reared by other fish, far less than one per cent escaping to reach maturity. They grow rapidly and attain their full growth in two years. The small-roe is inferior to the shad-roe in flavor and delicacy, but, nevertheless, is extremely good eating. The best small, according to Captain Samuel Ashton, A.N.A., who is one of the best authorities on China coast matters, are found between Foochow and Chefoo.

At various points on the coast and more especially at Foochow, Amoy, and Tainan in Formosa, the natives raise an oyster which is called the bamboo-oyster on account of the manner in which it is grown, and which is famous for its delicacy and flavor. It obtains the best results in tidal streams, where the bilvate reaches its finest development. Bamboo stakes about five feet long are driven into the sandy or mud bottom, so as to project a foot at low tide. To each stake are fastened two or more old oyster-shells. The stakes themselves are arranged about six or eight inches apart, in parallel rows a yard apart. The young fry attach themselves first to the old shells and afterwards to the stalk of the bamboo. They are removed when they have grown to be not less than half an inch in diameter. The smallest size in the market (not the oyster, but the shell) is that of a cherry pip. From this size they run up until they are equal to the Bluepoint. The best of either the most popular are those of the size of a peach stone. From the afternoon each day of salt and fresh water they become very fat and tender, and grow much more rapidly than those found in natural beds. The bamboo stakes are very durable and last often times twenty years. The gradual growth of the bilvates causes the top of the stake to become imbedded in a ball of shells and debris, which in the course of a decade, is frequently as big as a man's head. The effect is a low life striking and rather comical. In every direction are to be seen a rough, black ball, supported on its pegs that look, for all the world, like one of those monstrous festivals of the King of Dahomey in which a thousand Senegambians are decapitated and their woolly heads set upon poles. So far as quality is concerned, the bamboo-oyster takes the first rank, and is much superior to nine-tenths of those found in European and American markets.

Singapore, in the province of Quangtung, is noted for the skill of its fish culturists. They fatten fish for the wealthy mandarins, and more particularly the bright-colored members of the gold fish family. They raise Chinese carp and have a lucrative industry in selling the young fry in different parts of the empire. The more skillful of the cultivators practice artificial fecundation in the same general way as is done at Cold Spring, N.Y. They have been doing it for 1,000 years. The hatching is effected with but little trouble, on account of the excellence of the climate. When the fry are a half-inch long they are ready for the market and are sold by the hundred, the thousand, ten thousand, or fifty thousand. How they count them, I could never find out. The average price is about ten for a cent, or one cent a piece. The purchaser transports the fry to pools, ponds, or fountains, and there grows them until they weigh from half a pound upwards. It is found more economical to sell them at this stage than to rear them to maturity. Their growth, very rapid up to this point, becomes suddenly much slower. In transporting the fry long distances by sea a very ingenious system prevails. The young fish are put into large tubs on the upper deck of a freight-vessel which resemble brewery-vats filled with fresh water. From a working-bar across the top of the tub four strings connect the bar with as many wooden plungers, that float on the water in the tub. A bar runs along the sides of the tubs to rise and the other two to fall and strike the water with enough force to stir it up and at the same time to force into it fresh air. The return of the bar brings down the first two plungers and raises the second couple. The bar is worked by coolies day and night, and enables the purchaser to keep the fish alive five or six days without any change of water. By changing the water, it is said that they can be preserved three weeks and in that way be safely transported to any part of the Chinese coast.

E. BEDLOR.

## MANILA.

## THE PERSECUTIONS.

MANILA, March 12th.

Towards the end of last year a dispute arose between the Dominican body and the settlers of Kalamba, near Manila, as to the ownership of nearly all the land in that part of the country. The priests obtained judgment in the local courts, but the other parties commenced an appeal. Before this could be heard, the priestly party obtained military help, and the Dominican body was forced to dispossess the settlers. Great bitterness was exercised in the eviction, and the people were ultimately deported to Sulit. In a wretched state, apparently without hope of redress, the victims—many of good standing—after trying every other means, at last obtained publicity for their grievance through the columns of the Hongkong press. The Manila authorities immediately tried to prevent these newspapers from entering the Spanish colonies; apparently without any reason, unless it be that they were afraid, or ashamed. It was soon found that no hierarchy can stop the press, no Jesuitical influence can smother it; the Hongkong papers (especially the *Telegraph*) were even more widely read than before in Manila, in spite of the scolding efforts of the priestridden Government. Soon everybody had read the articles on the Kalamba outrage, and the better educated men of influence were constrained to move in the matter. The result is that some degree of reparation has been made—not much, but more than would have been had the priests never been interrupted in their "good work." The Manila Government Gazette of 15th March publishes the following order of the Governor-General:—

"Wishing to celebrate my birthday by an act of clemency to those who by various offences have incurred the severe penalty of deportation, thus taking all happiness away from their unfortunates, who are left to bewail the absence of their loved ones; now, therefore, by virtue of the powers conferred on me, I freely pardon all who are now suffering the extreme penalty of banishment who are compelled in the

following list, and who will as early as possible report their return to the hands of the officials from which they were taken.—DISPENSE."

## LATE TELEGRAMS.

BERLIN, February 26th.

The Emperor William rode through the streets of the city this afternoon unattended, and was cheered by the crowd. Renewed attempts at disorder were made this evening, but the police dispersed the rioters.

LONDON, February 26th.

The Waterloo Cup, the great sporting event of the year, has been won for the third year in succession by Colonel North's Fullerons. The report of Lord Wantage's Committee, which was appointed by Government last year to enquire into the conditions of service in the army, has been published. It declares that there is not a single infantry battalion effective at home, and that only from twenty to thirty per cent of these are fit to supply Indian drafts. The following recommendations are made by the Committee:—To recruit—above the strength of the battalions without exceeding the annual average; to maintain the home infantry in such strength that they shall be liable to Turkish drafts at fivefold the numbers required yearly; to keep the strength of the battalions at home and abroad uniform; to restore the equality of the battalions at home and abroad by raising five new home service battalions, or by creating three battalions of the Coldstream and Scots Guards, keeping three battalions of Guards abroad; to abolish stoppage of pay, including stoppages for sea kit and Indian clothing; to allow three-pence daily for extra messings; to substitute one pound annually for deferred pay; to allow good men to remain on the active list for twelve years; and to allow men of the reserve to return and complete twelve years with the colours. For the cavalry the report recommends abolishing the Canterbury depot and to brigade the cavalry in groups of three regiments—two to be abroad and one at home. A similar system is recommended for the horse artillery. Sir A. L. Halliburton, Assistant Under-Secretary to the War Office, one of the members of the Committee, has presented a counter report seriously differing from the above decisions.

February 28th.

The Government proposes, especially with a view to the repression of slavery, to pay fifteen shillings for every man who is sent to the colonies, which is estimated will entail an outlay of twenty thousand pounds.

PARIS, February 28th.

The French press commenting on the constitution of the new Rouher cabinet, receive the appointments coldly, and doubts are expressed concerning the permanence of the ministry. The Monarchist Right has formally decided to accept the Republican régime, and will form a Conservative party.

SOFIA, February 28th.

The *Sveboda*, a semi-official journal, publishes a violent article, in which it accuses Russian diplomacy of the murder of M. Valovitch, the Bulgarian Agent at the Porte. The *Sveboda* appeals to the European nations and Turkey to prevent further intrigues.

BOMBAY, February 28th.

Paymaster Tuck, the newly appointed Paymaster to H. M. S. *Marion*, which is stationed here, while on his way to join his vessel, on Sunday last jumped overboard from the *Arctica* and was drowned. Morning service had just been concluded when the cry of "man overboard" was raised. The engines were stopped and life buoys thrown out and a boat lowered, but Mr. Tuck was not seen to rise again. After considerable delay, the buoys were picked up and the vessel proceeded on her way. The unfortunate officer had been ill for some days.

WASHINGTON, February 28th.

The Washington Supreme Court has finally decided against the claims of Great Britain in the case of the British vessel *Saward* which was seized by the United States cruisers in the Behring Straits.

It is announced that Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Minister at Washington, and Mr. Secretary Blaine, have signed the arbitration treaty in the Behring Sea dispute.

LONDON, March 1st.

At a general meeting of the shareholders of the Manchester Ship Canal yesterday, the chairman announced that, under favourable conditions, they would possibly open the waterway for traffic next year.

Mr. Gladstone has returned to London from the Continent in vigorous health. He attended the House of Commons yesterday and met with a most cordial welcome.

St. PETERSBURG, March 1st.

With the view of recovering cotton manufactures in Russia, a law has been enacted by Government providing for an import duty on the raw material which will be refunded to the exporters of cotton fabrics.

ATHENS, March 1st.

Great excitement prevails here owing to the King, for some unknown reasons, probably the imminence of a financial crisis, having dismissed the Delianis Ministry, who being supported by the majority of the Chamber of Deputies they will retain their posts. In the meanwhile Mr. Constantopoulou, an Independent, has formed a new Ministry. The cavalry are guarding the King's palace.

March 2nd.

The reason assigned for the dismissal of M. Delianis is his inability to cope with the existing financial crisis.

March 3rd.

The Chamber of Deputies has been prorogued prior to a dissolution.

WASHINGTON, March 2nd.

The Treasury purchased to-day 388,000 ounces of silver at prices ranging from 91 to 91.37.

LONDON, March 2nd.

Fifteen thousand pounds of tea grown in Natal were sold to-day in Mark (P. Mincing) Lane at an average of five pence a pound. The quality was rather poor.

BERLIN, March 2nd.

Proceedings have been instituted against the *Cologne Gazette* for publishing a caustic article criticising the speech recently delivered by the Emperor at the Brandenburg banquet.

PARIS, March 3rd.

The programme of M. Rouher, the new Premier, says that there is no question of separation of Church and State, and the Government will maintain the Concordat. The Premier rejoices at the general acceptance of the Republic, and specially urges legislation for the amelioration of the lot of the working classes. The Chamber of Deputies has approved the programme.

LONDON, March 3rd.

A meeting of the Bimetallic League was held in Manchester yesterday, when the Secretary stated that the movement had made marked progress during the past year in Great Britain and throughout Europe, India, and the United States. A resolution was passed by the meeting that the interests of the Empire demand the establishment of a stable par of exchange between gold and silver, and that it was the duty of Government and Parliament to secure this immediately through an international agreement with the leading commercial nations.

In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. George Curzon, Under-Secretary for India, replying to Mr. Buchanan, said that the Government of India shares the opinion of Lord Roberts with regard to placing the former in Burmah under a Commander-in-Chief. Lord Cross, he added, was not prepared as yet to propose a change, and the present legislation was not desirable.

A Bill introduced in the House of Commons by Mr. Kelly to reinstate the Irish evicted tenants was rejected on its second reading by a majority of fifty-four.

The case against Mr. Bottomley and Sir Henry Isaac was commenced at Bow Street police-court yesterday. Counsel for the prosecution in opening proceedings declared that the public had lost over a million pounds sterling through the Harbord frauds.

Mr. Stanhope, Secretary of State for War, in a memorandum on the Army Estimates, states that there is an increase of eighty-six thousand sterling, mainly on account of new barracks, and grants to Volunteers, who have largely increased in numbers and are more efficient.

The price of coals in London has risen ten shillings per ton within the last fortnight, and a number of steamers are delayed in London docks for want of coals.

The death is announced of Sir John Coode, the well-known engineer.

BOMBAY, March 3rd.

The steamer *Deccan*, in eleven days overboard, from Mauritius. It is believed an accident has happened to her machinery.

ALLAHABAD, March 3rd.

At the Calcutta opium sales on Wednesday an extraordinary rise of prices occurred, each chest fetching Rs. 13 more than at the last sales, and Rs. 152 above the average of the previous auctions of the year.

LONDON, March 4th.

Mr. Curzon stated in the House of Commons yesterday that the Secretary of State for India considers it necessary in the interest of the ryots to proceed with the cadastral survey of Behar.

THE SINGAPORE "SUNDAY LABOUR BILL."

On the third reading of the *Sunday Labour Bill* in the Singapore Legislative Council on March 3rd, the following interesting and instructive debate took place:—

The Attorney-General:—Sir, I think that this bill furnishes a good illustration of the advantages which a colony derives from the existence of a Secretary of State to superintend its affairs and direct its legislation. It must be sufficiently obvious to those who have followed the debates that this matter, however, left to the gentlemen who represent this community in Council, this bill would not have been passed, or any bill with even so limited a beneficial effect as this. The attitude of the majority with regard to the incident of changing the title illustrates, it seems to me, the unoffensive feeling as regards this bill. They, without assigning the slightest reason, eliminated all reference to the distinctly Christian basis on which the bill rests. I cannot attribute any such delicacy of feeling to those who desire to suppress the feelings of their non-Christian fellow subjects. It is much more probable that, disliking the bill, they show their dislike in this way. It may be said that the Secretary of State is dictating to this Colony and riding roughshod over the wishes of the representatives of this Council. To my mind he is right in so doing. It is perfectly proper to leave to this Council questions of purely local concern, but when this Council asks for the Secretary of State's aid, it is bound to accept his aid. For instance, such as the defence of Singapore, or questions which touch the great heart and conscience of the British people, then this Colony must be governed in accordance with English ideas, and the Secretary of State from his position is able to take a wider and more statesmanlike view of what is right and proper than a handful of European merchants whose horizon is limited by their own interests, and who, as the hon. member for the Chamber of Commerce said, came here to make money, and as he pathetically added, to lose it also. The Secretary of State has done rightly in pressing this bill upon this colony, and I trust (although the hon. member for the Chamber of Commerce somewhat cynically recommended the bill to his colleagues on the ground that if they rejected it something worse might befall them in the shape of a more stringent order from the Secretary of State) that the bill will be unanimously supported. I would not be sorry to see such a "worse" case befalling the colony, for I trust that this legislation has been initiated it will not stop till every European and Native Christian has had conferred upon him an indecisive right to the Christian Day of Rest. I move that the bill be read a third time and passed.

The Acting Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Mr. Dogaoudi did not support the measure. To an Imperial Government it should be immaterial whether coal, or rice, or whatever it might be was unloaded on a particular day when no Europeans or Eurasians were concerned. He would ask them to notice that the parties so deprived of their Sunday work were Asiatics dependent upon labour for their daily bread, and he would say that it would be inhuman on the part of the Government to take from them the only day of their week when they were free to take his departure for England, and doubtless has a desire to ingratiate himself with the Secretary of State. He accordingly proceeds to show how the Secretary of State has urged, nay forced, this legislation on us. Now, possibly the Attorney-General is slightly premature. The bill is not introduced according to the Secretary of State's orders. In the debate in the House of Lords, when this question of Sunday labour was first taken up, Lord Knutsford stated that he was distinctly opposed to forcing this class of legislation on the unofficial members of Colonial Councils by the official vote. The hon. member learned member is entirely wrong in thinking that all at this end of the table are opposed to this class of legislation. We would have preferred voluntary combination, but the suggestions made by the Chamber of Commerce, which I happen to represent here, were not accepted, and being the case I for one have been as hearty a supporter of the bill before the Council as was the hon. member himself. (Mr. Bonser—"hear, hear.") He introduces extraneous subjects into his speech. He refers to the military contribution; and I exceedingly regret that he will not be at this table in the course of a few weeks when this subject comes on again for discussion. He holds peculiar views, and the attitude he has adopted would be surprising if it were not about to be taken home. On the last discussion of this subject, he took care to get a military professor behind whose acting opinions he could take shelter, and my hon. friends were so astonished at his attitude that they were apparently stricken dumb. Today, he has ventured again to attack me because he is about to proceed home, and he knows he will not be there when the debate comes on. With respect to what Mr. Dogaoudi has said, I have no doubt that the hon. member for the Chamber of Commerce has been thoroughly thrashed out in the second reading and in Committee, and it is impossible that the question can again be opened up. With respect to the title of this bill, in connection with which the Attorney-General desires to stand forth according to his custom as a champion of

religion, I think there is no importance to be attached to it. We adopted the present title because it has been followed in many other colonies, and in a colony the legislation of which he is constantly quoting to us—Hongkong.

The Governor:—I did not intend—because it is not customary to make any observations at the third reading of this bill, but I feel it my duty, having regard to what has fallen from the Attorney-General, to make a few statements because I think it necessary to let the public understand the position of the Secretary of State as regards this question. My hon. friend (Mr. Shelton) has referred to the debate in the House of Lords, which sufficiently answers the Attorney-General. But the Attorney-General has forgotten the terms of the despatch from the Secretary of State on this subject, the last paragraph of which is as follows:—

"I request you to consider the advisability of enacting a similar measure in the colony under your administration, and if you see no objection to such a course, I shall be glad if you will take steps for introducing the necessary ordinance."

The responsibility of introducing this measure is entirely my own. I wish that that shall be thoroughly understood—I am not introducing it under instructions from the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State has simply suggested that if I see no objection I should follow that course, and consequently I think a great deal of what my learned friend has said, with respect to the attitude of the Secretary of State in regard to this Council, is very considerably beside the mark.

A division was taken with the following result:

AYES.	NOES.
The Governor.	Mr. Burkhshaw.
The Colonial Secretary.	Mr. Murray.
Attorney-General.	Mr. Bogaard.
The Colonial Treasurer.	
The Colonial Engineer.	
Mr. Shelton.	
Mr. Tan Juk Kim.	

The bill was accordingly read a third time, and became law.

## INSTRUCTIONS: A LEGAL DRAMA.

Scene—Queen's Bench Court XXV. Witness has been called to prove that he recognised the plaintiff leaving his club. Leading Counsel rises to cross-examine.

L. C.—You were not drunk on the occasion? W.—Sir!

L. C.—Don't talk to me like that. Answer a question in a straightforward way, if you can. Were you drunk?

L. C.—Have you ever been drunk? W.—Never been drunk in my life.

L. C.—Indeed! In whose life have you been drunk, then?

Defendant's Counsel rises.—My lord, I think my learned brother's question is irrelevant.

L. C.—My lord, I am testing the credibility of the witness. He admits having been drunk, though not in his own life. Such a witness, I maintain, is not to be believed on oath.

Judge.—I think the learned counsel is conducting the cross-examination most fairly.

L. C.—Well, sir, to proceed. Has your health ever been drunk?

W.—Frequently.

L. C.—Then I needn't question you any more on that point. The jury will know what to think of a man who enjoys such a state of health. I presume you have never stolen anything?

W.—My lord, I appeal to you.

Judge.—You must answer the counsel's question.

W.—No, then.

L. C.—Indeed. You swear that?

W.—Yes.

L. C.—Now, sir (shows him a letter); is that your writing?

W.—I did.

L. C.—(reads)—"Then, hearing footsteps, I stole away." Do you admit stealing on this occasion?

W.—I must explain.

L. C.—No, you mustn't. But I won't press you further on that point. Your shilly-shallying answers are admissions enough. I have an even graver question to ask: Have you ever committed a murder?

W.—Certainly not.

L. C.—Now, then, let me jog your memory. Did you ever kill a woman?

W.—(emphatically)—No!

L. C.—I must trouble you to refer to your own correspondence. (Hands another letter.) Is that your letter?

W.—Yes.

L. C.—(reads)—"And when I left the old lady was dreadfully cut up." Now, then, do you mean to tell me you did not murder that old lady?

W.—This is shameful!

L. C.—So it is, sir. I am glad you have the grace to admit it. But you haven't answered my question. Did you kill the old lady?

W.—Of course not. I only—

L. C.—Pray don't say more. You admit you cut her up alive, that will do, thank you. (And the counsel sits down, having done his best to insinuate that the unfortunate witness is a liar, drunkard, a thief, an adulterer, and a murderer.)

(When the case is over, and the plaintiff has admitted that he was seen by the witness on the occasion in question, counsel rises and apologises that, acting upon instructions, he had apparently slightly damaged the witness's character.)

Judge.—Most noble, learned brother! Most handsome conduct! There really wasn't the least necessity for you to apologise, and that you should do it of your own accord makes me proud of the profession. What would become of justice if there were no lawyers?

(Court closes, everybody trying in vain to solve the Judge's conundrum.)—*Arrah!*

## NEWS AND GOSSIP.

Rinderpest is spreading in Germany. It is probable that Parliament will be dissolved in May.

Electric fire engines are being exhibited in India one of the leading forms of gambling is to bet on the weather.

The second electric railway in Sweden has recently been completed.

The London *Times* has ordered American prizes for the establishment of the French wine of 1891 will be the best since 1884, and there is much of it.

The estimated cost to Russia of the famine and its consequences is \$500,000,000.

France's last torpedo-boat made twenty-three knots and a half in a heavy sea.

A new epidemic, seemingly of poisonous origin, has followed influenza at Vienna.

A special prayer against influenza is the latest from the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The number of deaths from influenza in decreasing in London, Berlin and Vienna.

M. Vidal, the French explorer, has been captured by brigands in Chinese Turkestan.

The attendance at the British museum last year has, it is said, fallen off about 45 per cent.

General Annenkoff is at work on the plan for a canal between the Black Sea and the Caspian. In England more than two hundred cities and towns utilize their sewage for fertilizing the farms near by.

It is charged that for eight years the Russian famine district has been in a chronic state of distress.

Australian eggs are now shipped to London, thanks to an extraordinary new process of preservation.

German military papers publish alarming statistics as to the spread of drunkenness in the German Army.

The Belgian Government on January last resumed the working of all the telephone lines in that country.

The murderous King of Dahomey is still engaged in supplying slaves to the Germans and Belgians in Africa.

Bread in a good state of preservation has been unearthed in Pompeii recently, in the new rooms uncovered by the explorers.

The Captain of an Italian steamer has discovered a ledge of coal of excellent quality in Shagret Bay, Straits of Magellan.

Trades unions are unknown in the land of the Czar, and anything like a strike for increase of wages is prohibited strictly by law.

A bill was lately issued at Detroit for a National Furniture Dealers' Convention July 12th, to correct abuses in the business.

The sale of live hogs has been stopped in the Atlanta, Germany, market in consequence of the rapid increase of disease among the stock.

The discovery of an English medical man, who wrote to the *Lancet* on the subject nearly two years ago.

No less than seventy-six Cardinals have died since March 3, 1878, when Pope Leo XIII began his reign, or seven more than the entire number in the college.

The underground electric railway in London has more traffic than it can conveniently manage, and great complaints are made on account of the inadequate facilities.

At Dresden they are baking an American corn bread that is finding much favor and is much cheaper than the ordinary bread. A pound costs a trifle over 3 cents.

A report favorable to the promotion of a large canal between the Danube and Oder has just been sent in to the Austrian Minister of Commerce by the special Commission.

The new Government of Brazil has suspended proceedings in the confiscation of the property belonging to Princess Isabella and other members of the family of the late Emperor.

The production of gold in British Guiana has risen steadily in the past eight years. Last year's value was 75 per cent over the previous year's value being \$1,501,359.

The Culinary Academy of Cooks' Institute, of Paris has petitioned the City Council to increase its prestige by naming a street Carême, after Antoine Carême, the chef of Talleyrand.

The Russian Government is going to try giving a certain area of land in the departments of Saratov and Samara, to be cultivated in common by all the inhabitants of each commune.

Immense avalanches of snow have fallen on the railways between Obertraum and Aussee and between Windhofel and Rosenau, in Austria. It will take several weeks to repair the damage.

The influential women of London who are sending clothing to the destitute Russians have showed the instinct of true charity in having these garments fashioned after the national dress.

On January 19th the bells of Brussels rang for the 700th time to celebrate the return from the Holy Land of those citizens of Brussels who had joined the first crusade under Godfrey de Bouillon.

Late reports from the Argentine Republic say that the wheat and wool crops in the republic are the largest ever known in the country's history. The railroad companies are preparing for a very busy season.

Siemens, the Berlin electrician, will spend \$285,000 on the firm's exhibit at the World's Fair. At first the firm asked for space to erect a building, but not being able to secure this, it took 2,000 square feet of space.

A young American woman named Nelson, who has been performing in a Paris café chantant for some years, is at work on a thirty-day's fast in London to prove the efficacy of a potent elixir made of herbs from South America.

In the absence of anything important from Germany is this item: Kaiser Wilhelm's brother Prince Henry has cultivated a beard. He is a naval officer and is addicted to walking the streets in a frock coat like an ordinary seaman.

In Sweden the women seem to have got to the front in the barber shop. In all the large towns in Sweden the fashionable barbers' shops are kept by women. The hair-cutting and shampooing are done by men, but only women shave.

The *Neue Presse* of Vienna has just published an elaborate article on the subject of Turkish armaments, and declares that the Sultan has succeeded in raising the effective strength of his forces to a million of men, of whom 700,000 could be mobilized.

The two daughters of the late Marquis San Carlos, who died some months ago, have been so much overcome by the loss of their father that they have renounced the brilliant life that they were leading in society and have entered the Order of the Sacred Heart. They are both grand-daughters of ex-Queen Isabella of Spain.

The royal tradesmen who put up black shutters, placed candles on the



## Commercial.

**LATEST QUOTATIONS.**  
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, 134 per cent. prem., ex. div., buyers.  
 The National Bank of China, L.A.—on 15.00 paid up—261 per cent. div., sellers.  
 The National Bank of China, L.A.—Founders' shares, \$100 per share, sales and buyers.  
 The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, L.A.—19 per share, sales.  
 The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, L.A.—Founders' shares, 160 per share, sales.  
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884—2 per cent. premium, buyers.  
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886—14 per cent. premium.  
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$90 per share, sales and buyers.  
 China Trade Insurance Company—\$61 per share, sales.  
 North China Insurance—11.25 per share, sales.  
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$102 per share, sales.  
 Yangtze Insurance Association—\$108, buyers.  
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—11.50 per share.  
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$282 per share, ex. div., buyers.  
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$37 per share, sales.  
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$34 per share, sales.  
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—30 per share, sales.  
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—27 per cent. discount, sales and buyers.  
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$37 per share, sales.  
 The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.  
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$77 per cent. premium, sales.  
 Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$15 per share, sales.  
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$50 per share, sales.  
 Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$50.  
 The Anglo Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited—\$8 per share, buyers.  
 The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Limited—nominal.  
 The Shamoon Hotel Co., Limited—\$10, sellers.  
 Panjion and Sunghie Dua Samantan Mining Co.—\$18 per share, sales.  
 The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited—50 cents per share, sales.  
 Imuris Mining Co., Limited—\$7 per share, sales.  
 The National Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$1 per share, nominal.  
 Tongkin Coal Mining Co.—\$300 per share, sales.  
 The Jelabu Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$50 per share, sales.  
 The Jelabu Tin Mining Co., Limited—21 cents per share, sales and buyers.  
 London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ld.—\$8, sellers.  
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$145, sales.  
 Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$50 per share, sales.  
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$18 per share, buyers.  
 Crutcher & Co., Limited—\$7 per share, buyers.  
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$7 per share, sales and buyers.  
 The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sales and buyers.  
 The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$6 per share, buyers.  
 The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$23 per share, buyers.  
 The Lubuk Planting Co., Limited—\$2 per share, sales.  
 The Chien-Keen Co., Limited—nominal.  
 H. G. Brey & Co., Limited—\$35 per share, buyers.  
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$55 per share, sales.  
 Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$107 per share, ex. div., sellers.  
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$120 per share, nominal.  
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$72 per share, buyers.  
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$61 per share, sales.  
 The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$10 per share, nominal.  
 The Green Island Cement Co.—\$7 per share, sales and buyers.  
 The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$44 per share, buyers.  
 The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—\$25 per share, nominal.  
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$50 per share, sales.

## Shipping.

**ARRIVALS.**  
 NIMPO, German steamer, 762, R. Köhler, 16th March—Wuhu 11th March, General—Slomson & Co.  
 MONTANA, Spanish steamer, 222, Valentin Venero, 16th March—Manila 11th March, Ballast—Order.  
 SACHIN, German steamer, 2,575, H. Supper, 16th March—Bremen 4th Feb. and Singapore 11th March, Malls and General—D. Laprak & Co.  
 HAILOO, British steamer, 783, J. Rosch, 17th March—Tamsui 14th March, Amoy 15th, and Swatow 2nd, General—D. Laprak & Co.  
 YUENAN, British steamer, 1,105, Innes, 17th March—Canton 17th March, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
 PALINURUS, British steamer, 1,540, Jackson, 17th March—Singapore 10th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.  
 BELLEPHON, British steamer, 1,355, W. E. Guthrie, 17th March—Singapore 10th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.  
 TAI-YUAN, British steamer, 1,459, R. Nelson, 17th March—Kobe 11th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.  
 J. WISLEY, German bark, 240, G. Schnieders, 17th March—Jalut Marisa Islands via Yop 3rd Feb. General—Slomson & Co.  
 JENNIE HARRISON, American bark, 1,305, F. W. Ambery, 17th March—New York 11th Sept., Kerosene Oil—Gillman & Co.

**VORWARTS, German steamer, 612, L. L. Möller, 17th March—Hollis 14th March, Wood—Wielor & Co.**  
**DEPARTURES.**  
 March 17, *Rohilla*, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.  
 March 17, *Alvina*, German str., for Hoihow.  
 March 17, *Rio*, German steamer, for Saigon.  
 March 17, *Vamosa*, British str., for Swatow, &c.  
 March 17, *General Winder*, German steamer, for Yokohama, &c.

**PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.**  
 Per *Ningbo*, str., from Wuhu—15 Chinese.  
 Per *Hailong*, str., from Tamsui, &c.—111 Chinese.  
 Per *Sachin*, str., from Bremen, &c., for Hongkong—Mr. and Mrs. Morse, Mr. and Mrs. Kramer, Miss Routledge, Miss Rouse, Messrs. Sleeps, Rose, Taylor, Blackwell, and 104 Chinese.  
 For Japan—4 Europeans. For Shanghai—21 Chinese.  
 Per *Taiyuan*, str., from Kobe—Miss M. D. N. Sanders, 6 Chinese and 3 Japanese.  
 Per *Pallurus*, str., from Singapore—Messrs. Fennell, Gomes, and 375 Chinese.  
 Per *Jennie Harrison*, bark, from New York—Mrs. Ambery.  
 Per *John Wesley*, bark, from Jalut Marisa Islands—Mrs. Schnieders and 5 children, and 9 Chinese.  
 Per *Dacia*, str., from Saigon—21 Chinese.  
 Per *Mennon*, str., from Sandakan—Messrs. W. M. Roberts, Birch, W. Maclean, Port, 1 European and 271 Chinese.

**DEPARTED.**  
 Per *Rohilla*, str., from Hongkong for Singapore—Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Gillig, Mr. and Mrs. Ira B. Thayer, and Master Grover Thayer, Mr. and Mrs. Hallman, Messrs. E. B. Parker, F. L. Unger, Stanley, E. B. Cooker, and H. Woodruff.  
 For Bombay—Mr. J. M. Tantra, for London—Messrs. Jas. Darling and S. Dempsey, from Shanghai for London—Mrs. Anderson and 5 children, Miss Little, and Captain Bruce, R.N. For Mandalay—Mrs. Southill and 3 children. From Japan for Colombo—Mr. W. J. Eastham. For Ismailia—Mr. W. H. Nolan.

**REPORTS.**  
 The German steamer *Vorwarts* reports that she left Hoihow on the 14th instant. Had strong north-east winds.  
 The British steamer *Bellerophon* reports that she left Singapore on the 10th instant. Had light to moderate monsoon.  
 The German steamer *Ningbo* reports that she left Wuhu on the 11th instant. Had strong north-east monsoon throughout the passage.  
 The British steamer *Mennon* reports that she left Sandakan on the 12th instant. Experienced light north-east breeze with high cross sea and heavy north-east swell.  
 The German steamer *Dacia* reports that she left Saigon on the 10th instant. From there to the Paracels had fine weather; from there to port had strong north-east winds and heavy sea.  
 The British steamer *Pallurus* reports that she left Singapore on the 10th instant. Had moderate north-east breeze to Paracels reefs; thence strong north-east breeze and high confused sea and overcast weather.  
 The British steamer *Taiyuan* reports that she left Kobe on the 11th instant. Had fine weather to Van Diemen Straits, then a brisk gale to Tarnabout; and thence to arrival had strong monsoon and heavy weather.  
 The British steamer *Hailong* reports that she left Tamsui on the 14th instant. Amoy on the 15th, and Swatow on the 16th. Had strong north-east breeze and high sea with heavy rain between Tamsui and Amoy. From Amoy had fresh monsoon and overcast weather to Swatow. From Swatow had light to moderate variable winds and overcast rainy weather to port. In Amoy the German gunboat *Ilia*.

## Post Office.

**A MAIL WILL CLOSE.**  
 For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama—Per *Ancona* to-morrow, the 18th instant, at 11.30 A.M.  
 For Singapore—Per *Oriana* to-morrow, the 18th instant, at 11.30 A.M.  
 For Straits and Bombay—Per *Gwalior* to-morrow, the 18th instant, at 11.30 A.M.  
 For Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta—Per *Lightning* to-morrow, the 18th instant, at 11.30 A.M.

## SHIPPING IN HONGKONG

**STEAMERS.**  
**ANCONA**, British steamer, 1,885, W. D. Mudie, 14th March—Yokohama 5th March, Malls and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.  
**BENGOL**, British steamer, 1,158, R. Farquhar, 14th March—Molli 9th March, Coals—Gibb, Livingston & Co.  
**CHINA**, American steamer, W. B. Seabury, 15th March—San Francisco 7th Feb. Had strong gale to Swatow, and Yokohama 8th March, Malls and General—P. M. S. S. Co.  
**COSMOPOLIT**, German steamer, 552, W. T. Schaefer, 16th March—Hollis 14th March, Wood—Wielor & Co.  
**DIAMANTZ**, British steamer, 514, J. C. Gerard, 8th Feb.—Manila 5th February, General—Shewan & Co.  
**EMPEROR OF INDIA**, British steamer, 1,020, Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R., 7th March—Vancouver 14th Feb. and Yokohama 29th, General—C. P. Railway Steamship Co.  
**FAME**, British steamer, 117, Captain Molesae, —Hongkong Government tender.  
**FOKUKI**, British steamer, 509, W. Davis, 15th March—Swatow 12th March, General—D. Laprak & Co.  
**GWALIOR**, British steamer, 1,602, F. Speck, 11th March—Bombay 22nd Feb. and Singapore 4th March, General—P. & O. S. N. Co.  
**HIROSHIMA MARU**, Japanese steamer, 2,031, J. H. Pye, 13th March—Batavia 12th Feb. and General—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.  
**KONG BENO**, British steamer, 862, Jackson, 14th March—Samarang 23rd Feb., and—Sourabaya 3rd March, Sugar—Yuen Fat Hong.  
**LIGHTNING**, British steamer, 2,124, J. G. Spence, 13th March—Calcutta 26th Feb. Had strong gale to Swatow, and Singapore 7th, Optum and General—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.  
**MACDUFF**, British steamer, 1,882, E. Porter, 15th March—Singapore 8th March, General—Dodwell, Carilli & Co.  
**OCEANA**, German steamer, 1,628, J. Behrens, 16th March—Kobe 10th March, Rice and General—Slomson & Co.  
**ROMULUS**, German steamer, 1,750, W. Berns, 8th March—Nagasaki 14th March, Ballast—Slomson & Co.  
**TETARTON**, German steamer, 1,772, W. Breilung, 15th March—Karata 10th March, Coals—Slomson & Co.  
**TOKONAGAWA**, British steamer, 1,565, Geo. H. Berwick, 2nd Feb.—Hamburg via Tamsui 3rd January, Coals and General—Dodwell, Carilli & Co.

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**WINDWARD**, British steamer, 1,517, A. de St. Croix, Feb.—Calcutta 31st Jan., Penang 8th Feb., and Singapore 12th, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
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**ALCONBY**, British bark, 1,400, Fraser, 15th March—Cardiff 29th September, Coal—Order.  
**BARTO**, German barque, 34, Eggert, 7th March—Amoy 2nd March, Ballast—Wielor & Co.  
**COLOMA**, American bark, 870, C. M. Noyes, 2nd Jan.—Portland, Oregon 31st Oct., Spars and Lumber—Order.  
**DARRA**, British barque, 945, Brown, 20th Feb.—Captain.  
**DOROTHY**, British barque, 310, Angus Crook, 31st Feb.—Canton 1st January, Timber—Gibb, Livingston & Co.  
**Gov. ROSE**, American ship, 1,627, A. Nichols, 10th Nov.—New York 7th July, Kerosene Oil—Order.  
**IMACOS**, Norwegian barque, 177, L. Olsen, 9th March—Singapore 21st January, Timber, Chinese.  
**JOSEPHUS**, American ship, 1,490, Smithwick, 24th Jan.—New York 14th August, Kerosene Oil—Order.  
**PAPA**, German barque, 748, F. W. Thörn, 10th Feb.—Hamburg 19th Sept., General—Slomson & Co.  
**TARAPACA**, British barque, 405, H. Kennett, 2nd March—Fochow 24th Feb., Ballast—Gibb, Livingston & Co.  
**WM. H. SMITH**, American ship, 1,008, R. B. Brown, 16th March—New York 10th Oct., Kerosene Oil—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

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